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Title: NUCLEIC ACID AND AMINO ACID SEQUENCES  
RELATING TO *STAPHYLOCOCCUS EPIDERMIDIS* FOR  
DIAGNOSTICS AND THERAPEUTICS

Inventors: Lynn Doucette-Stamm and David Bush

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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This Amendment is being filed in response to the Final Office  
Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 4,  
2003 in the above-identified application.

A Petition to Extend the statutory period for replying to the Office  
Action for one month, from June 4, 2003 to July 4, 2003, and the  
appropriate fee are being filed concurrently herewith.